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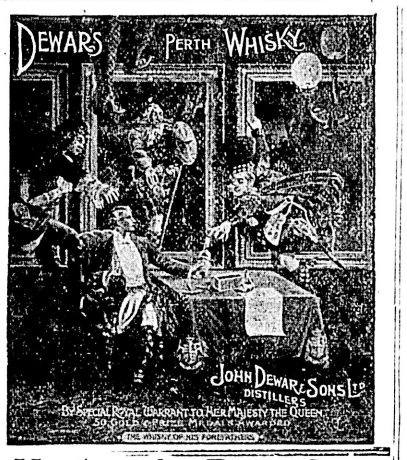

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THE members of Colfax Rebecca Lodge, I.O.O.F., will hold a committee meeting in the Oddfellows Library this evening at 8 o'clock. fe20

ST. LUKE'S HALL, Cedar Hill—Operatic cantata, "The Haymakers," in aid of St. Luke's Church, Monday 22nd inst., at 8 p.m.; bus leaves Post Office at 7:15. Admission, including conveyance, 50 cents. fe19

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VENEZUELAN ARBITRATION.

The Congress of the South American Republic Opens To-day.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The congress of Venezuela will meet to-morrow with the expectation of considering the treaty providing for the arbitration of the boundary dispute with Great Britain. The annual message of President Crespo, which will present at some length, the arguments in support of the treaty, if the ordinary course is followed, may not be laid before the congress until about three or four days after the opening of the session, this delay being permitted in order to permit of the perfection of the organization of congress. Senor Andrade, the Venezuelan minister here, says there can be no doubt of the ratification of a treaty.

Have you tried Dr. Garneau's SEL HYGIENIQUE? If not, purchase a bottle of this famous remedy immediately. It is a sure and prompt cure for liver complaint, constipation, and dyspepsia, and works like a charm on the system. See that your druggist gives you Dr. Garneau's. It is put up in four ounce bottles. x

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SYMPATHY WITH CRETE

Enthusiastic Meeting in London—Name of the King of Greece Loudly Cheered.

Greek Army Reserves Called Out—The Kaiser Vexed With Great Britain.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—At a public meeting held in London to-night for the purpose of expressing sympathy with the Cretans, a Lord Byron Society was organized. Prof. James Bryce, formerly president of the board of trade, presided. Mr. Herbert Gladstone, Mr. F. S. Stevenson, M. P. for Gloucester constituency, Sir R. T. Reid, M. P. for Dumfries, Mr. F. A. Channing, M. P. for Northamptonshire East, Rev. Canon W. P. Warburton, the Dean of Westminster, Rev. Newman Hall and others were in attendance. Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone wired from the south of France denouncing the use of force against Greece. Great enthusiasm was manifested during the meeting. Prof. Bryce and others applied vigorous language in denouncing the Sultan and expressing sympathy with Greece. The mention of the King of Greece and Prince George led to outbursts of cheering. A resolution inviting aid for the Cretan refugees was adopted.

The garrison of Fort Voukolies, comprising 300 soldiers and 100 Cretan Mussulmans, after being dislodged by Greek artillery, retired to Allikianu, where this force was again beleaguered. Fighting is proceeding. The government has armed a number of Mussulman volunteers, who started to the rescue.

ATHENS, Feb. 19.—The National League has addressed a memorial to King George and Premier Delyannis declaring that if Europe tries to cancel the fait accompli of the union of Crete with Greece, the league, through its powerful resources in Macedonia and elsewhere, will provoke a general uprising of Hellenism.

In the chamber to-day the premier, M. Delyannis, introduced a bill abolishing the consulates of Greece to the island of Crete. The army reserves of 1890 and 1893 have been called out for active service.

A British cruiser prevented a Greek steamer from landing provisions and ammunition on the island of Crete. The incident has caused much excitement here.

BERLIN, Feb. 19.—The newspapers of this city reflect the bitter resentment felt by the Emperor William at the rejection by the Marquis of Salisbury of His Majesty's personal proposal to coerce Greece by a joint blockade by the fleets of the powers of the Piraeus, the port of Athens, in order to check the warlike demonstrations of Greece. In diplomatic circles it is surmised that the Emperor William's dignity was in some manner offended, probably by the firm attitude assumed by Greece in the face of the remonstrances of the powers and Germany in particular, and hence the extreme proposal to blockade the Piraeus, which was urged by His Majesty with unusual vehemence upon the European cabinets through their ambassadors here. The Marquis of Salisbury, without any hesitation, promptly declined the Emperor's proposition, saying that public opinion in Great Britain would never acquiesce in such a proceeding.

The National Zeitung pointedly charges Great Britain with attempting to disturb the peace of Europe, and says: "The immediate future will show whether the agreement of the powers will be disturbed by the manifestation of separate British interests, which promises to raise the veil hitherto shielding the origin of this extremely strange Greek adventure. From the outset we have been of the opinion that it was not so much to attack Turkey as to strike a blow at the European peace."

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—A dispatch to the Herald from St. Petersburg says: "Entire satisfaction is felt here at the result of the joint action of the powers at Crete, and Emperor William's warm adherence is much appreciated. Even England's action is praised by the Novoe Vremya. As a precautionary measure, serving as a caution to the Greeks to behave reasonably if the worst should come to them, the Russian squadron is ordered to remain off Piraeus. Its force of eight ships will be strengthened further by the addition of the battleship Imperator Nikolay II.

OUTPOSTS ATTACKED.

Greek Army Assumes the Offensive and Attacks the Turks—Arms Supplied to Mohammedans.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—(Latest)—A dispatch to the Times from Canea says: The Greek army has taken the offensive and attacked the Turkish outposts at Platagia. The Turkish outposts were overpowered and compelled to retire in the direction of the town. A crowd of Mohammedans surrounded Konak, asking for arms and ammunition, when 200 stand of arms were served out to them. The Greek consul has asked his government to send more men-of-war.

TRADE OF THE ST. LAWRENCE.

Some of the Directions in Which it is Hoped to Increase Canadian Business.

TORONTO, Feb. 19.—There is a strong probability that by a vote at the approaching session of parliament, the Intercolonial railway will be extended from Levis, opposite Quebec, to Montreal. The proposed $6,000,000 passenger and railway bridge across the river at Montreal is a part of the scheme, and both the Provincial and Dominion governments are pledged to give assistance to this project. The board of trade is also urging the deepening of the river channel and the building of an immense dock to be erected at the east end of the city as well as the providing of dry-dock accommodation for ships coming to port. Cattle shippers are counting on handling large numbers of American cattle from this port during the coming season of navigation, on account of the rescinding of the quarantine regulations, while by means of the Ottawa and Parry Sound railway and the Ottawa river it is expected to divert a larger share of the grain trade to Montreal. The St. Lawrence forwarders are also putting forth increased efforts to carry the trade, the building of a grain elevator at Kingston being part of the scheme. Hon. Mr. Laurier, the premier, touched on these matters the last time he spoke in Montreal, and at a meeting to-night the Minister of Public Works, Hon. J. I. Tarte, intimated that the deepening of the river channel and improvements in the east end of the harbor would speedily be pushed to a conclusion.

CANADIAN EXCLUSION.

Adoption of the Corliss Amendment to the U. S. Immigration Bill.

The Restrictions as They Specially Apply to the People of Canada.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The immigration bill now goes to the President, the last legislative step having been taken in the senate by an agreement to the conference report on the bill. Strong opposition was made to the report, but on the final vote the friends of the measure rallied a small majority, the vote being, yeas 34, nays 31.

The bill, as passed, extends the immigration restrictions against:

"All persons physically capable and over 16 years of age who cannot read and write the English language or some other language, but a person not so able to read and write who is over 50 years of age and is the parent or grandparent of a qualified immigrant over 21 years of age and capable of supporting such parent or grandparent, may accompany such immigrant, or such a parent or grandparent may be sent for and come to join the family of a child or grandchild over 21 years of age, similarly qualified and capable, and a wife or minor child not so able to read and write may accompany or be sent for and come to join the husband or parent similarly qualified and capable."

For the purpose of testing the immigrant's illiteracy, he is compelled to read and write from twenty to twenty-five words of the United States constitution.

Aside from these extensions of the present law the bill inaugurates a new system of restricting immigration from border countries, and designed to apply principally to immigration from Canada.

The provisions are as follows:

Section 4. That it shall hereafter be unlawful for any male alien who has not in good faith made his declaration before the proper court of his intention to become a citizen of the United States to be employed on any public works of the United States or to come regularly and habitually into the United States by land or water for the purpose of engaging in any mechanical trade or manual labor, for wages or salary, returning from time to time to a foreign country.

Section 5. That it shall be unlawful for any person, partnership, company or corporation knowingly to employ any alien coming into the United States in violation of the next preceding section of this act. Provided that the provisions of this act shall not apply to the employment of sailors, deckhands or other employes of vessels or railroad train hands, such as conductors, engineers, brakemen, firemen or baggage masters, whose duties require them to pass over the frontier to reach the terminal of their runs, or to boatmen or guides on the lakes and rivers of the northern border of the United States. A violation of these sections is made a misdemeanor, punishable by fine up to $500, or imprisonment up to one year, or both.

A special provision exempts from the operation of the law persons arriving from Cuba during the continuance of the present disorder there. The law is to take effect July 1.

WINDSOR, Feb. 19.—(Special)—The endorsation of the immigration bill by the United States senate is causing great excitement in this city. Several hundred people living here are employed in Detroit. Half are women, however, and only men will be affected by the Corliss amendment.

F. S. Evans, manager of the Canadian Typograph Co., says that if the bill becomes law every resident of Detroit in their employ will either move to Windsor or be discharged.

DETROIT, Feb. 19.—The citizens of Windsor are agitating a movement for the enactment of a law for an export duty on natural gas, as one means of retaliating against the amendment of Representative Corliss, of this city, to the immigration bill, which is designed to prohibit residents of Canada from working on this side. An export duty would shut off Detroit's natural gas supply.

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—William McGregor, M.P., Windsor, is in the city. He is here seeing the government in regard to the operation of the alien labor law. He says that if the United States government put the Corliss bill into force, Canada should be prepared to meet it in the same spirit.

Buy air-tight heaters at Cheapside. x

BELL TELEPHONE RATE

The Company Ask That It May Be Increased—Tariff Committee at Ottawa.

Another Official Dismissal—Northwest Cattle—Parliamentry Session Not to Be Postponed.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—An important request has been preferred to the government by the Bell Telephone Company of Canada, a request in which nearly every city and town in the Dominion is interested. Under date of January 30 a petition was forwarded to the governor general in council by the Bell Telephone Company asking for permission to increase their rates. The railway committee will consider this to-morrow.

The tariff committee will hold two sessions here next week.

The cattle on the Northwest ranches are said to be in good condition, being 50 per cent. better than last year.

Dr. Orton, ex-M.P., has been dismissed from the position of medical superintendent of the Clandeboye Indians of Manitoba.

The government has decided to strengthen the Williams Head quarantine station.

The report current that the opening of the session will be postponed on account the recent fire, on inquiry, turns out to have no truth in it.

Commercial Agent Horsford, at St. Kitts, reports to the department of trade that great uneasiness has been created there at the report that steamship service between Canada and the West Indies is to be discontinued. Mr. Parmelee assured Mr. Horsford that there was no truth in the report.

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

Store in Toronto Burned.

TORONTO, Feb. 19.—William C. Onber's store, dry goods, groceries, boots and shoes, along with that of G. Ramsden, hardware, have been burned to the ground. Both parties were insured.

In a Precarious Condition.

TORONTO, Feb. 19.—Miss Mary Hiscocks, the elder of the two daughters of Major Hiscocks, M.P.P., who were asphyxiated by gas at their hotel on Wednesday, died this morning. Her sister Harriet is still in a precarious condition.

Winnipeg at Henley.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 19.—The Winnipeg rowing club's entries for Henley regatta were mailed to-day. Five men will be sent over with Trainer Murphy.

An Old Winnipeg Resident.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 19.—The death is announced of Capt. John Short, of St. James, at the age of 85 years. Capt. Short was one of the earliest residents of Winnipeg.

Quebec Parliamentary Candidates.

MONTREAL, Feb. 19.—Nominations for the local legislature continues. Alderman Rainville is the Liberal candidate for the St. Louis division in this city, and R. Descerries for Hochelaga.

Election In St. Boniface.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 19.—St. Boniface election takes place to-morrow. The Conservatives are confident of victory in spite of the attempts of the local government to capture the constituency.

Star's Famine Fund.

MONTREAL, Feb. 19.—The Star's famine fund turned $35,000 this afternoon.

Elevator for Owen Sound.

OWEN SOUND, Feb. 19.—A by-law granting a $40,000 bonus to the C. P. R. for increased elevator capacity was carried by a large majority here to-day.

Victoria to Rossland.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 19.—Dr. Milne, of Victoria, who has been to Ottawa in connection with the proposed railway from Vancouver to Rossland, is in town. He expresses himself as most hopeful regarding the prospect of the road being built.

BUSINESS IN CANADA.

No Definite Change in Business the Tendency Being Towards Inactivity.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—R. G. Dun & Company will say of Canadian trade: There is no definite change in Canadian business, although the prevailing tendence seems to be toward inactivity and waiting. St. John reports general quietude and a decrease of county orders; Halifax announces fair orders for dry goods and hardward, but there is not much activity in other lines, with low prices for fish and dragging collections. Quebec has free spring orders for dry goods and an active demand for boots and shoes, with a fair distribution of groceries. Montreal lacks buoyancy in trade and complains of the restricted circulation of money in the country, with slow collections. Toronto has a big demand for dry goods, groceries, hardware poultry and dairy products, but wheat is dull, though hides and leather are firmer. Winnipeg has dull business and slow collections, while in Victoria there is a slight improvement in business and fair collections, Vancouver having a slowly increasing activity. In general the money markets are easy, with but a moderate demand, while payments are not satisfactory.

Hungarian flour, $1.35 per sack at Johns Bros., Douglas street. x

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

Legislation Proposed for the Establishment of These Practical Rural Associations.

Their Objects Briefly Defined—Co-operative Industries Specifically Encouraged.

The practical legislation to which Premier Turner briefly referred in his addresses to the dairymen and fruit growers a few weeks ago, in connection with the discussion of the advantages of organization and co-operation, has now been embodied as promised in a parliamentary bill, and laid before the legislature. The measure embodies the main principles of the Ontario and Manitoba legislation in the same regard, while it has been carefully redrawn to meet the special requirements of British Columbia, and to define as concisely as possible the scope and advantages of the institutes, organization of which is authoized. It also provides by schedule the following divisions:

Division No. 1—Vancouver island and adjacent islands, and the Mainland coast contiguous.

Alberni—To include the former electoral district of Alberni.

Comox—To include the electoral division of Comox.

Cowichan—To include the former electoral district of Salt Spring Island.

Nanaimo and Cedar Districts—To include the electoral divisions of North and South Nanaimo.

Victoria District—To include the electoral divisions of Esquimalt, South Victoria, and North Victoria, exclusive of Salt Spring Island.

Salt Spring Island—To include the former electoral Islands district.

Division No. 2—Westminster district—

Delta—To include the municipality of Delta.

Surrey-Langley—To include the municipalities of Surrey and Langley.

Richmond—To include the municipalities of Richmond, Burnaby and South Vancouver, and the unorganized territory adjacent to Burrard Inlet, as may be defined by the lieutenant-governor in council.

Mission—To include the municipalities of Matsqui, Mission and Dewdney, and adjacent territory, as may be defined by the lieutenant-governor in council.

Chilliwack—To include the municipalities of Chilliwack, Sumas and Kent.

Maple Ridge—To include the municipalities of Maple Ridge and Coquitlam.

Division No. 3—Interior.

Okanagan—To include East Riding Yale electoral district.

Kamloops—To include North Riding Yale electoral district.

Lillooet—To include East and West Ridings of Lillooet division and West Riding of Yale division.

Cariboo—To include electoral division of Cariboo.

The objects of such institutes is to provide for the encouragement of agriculture, horticulture, arboriculture, manufactures and its useful arts—

(a.) By holding meetings for the discussion of and hearing lectures on subjects in connection with the theory and practice of improved husbandry and other industrial purposes.

(b.) By promoting the circulation of agricultural, horticultural, arboricultural and mechanical periodicals.

(c.) By importing and otherwise procuring and distributing seeds, plants and animals of new and valuable kinds.

(d.) By offering prizes for essays and questions of scientific inquiries relating to agriculture, horticulture, arboriculture, manufactures and the useful arts.

(e.) By co-operation for carrying on any industry, or for any purpose related to agriculture within the district, as provided for in section 15 of this act.

An institute may be organized and will be entitled to receive government aid on complying with the following conditions:

(a.) That the number of members is at least fifteen, each paying an annual fee of not less than fifty cents.

(b.) That the provisions of this act, and the rules and regulations approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, shall have been carefully observed.

(c.) That all reports or returns required to be made under the provisions of this act shall have been received to the satisfaction of the Provincial Secretary.

(d.) That at least three regular meetings shall have been held during the year.

The provision for legislative aid is as follows:

"The legislative assembly may each year set apart a certain sum of money for aiding farmers' institutes whose returns have been transmitted, and who have complied with the provisions of this act and the rules and regulations that may be passed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, to each institute whose membership is shown to amount to from fifteen to one hundred a sum of fifty cents for each paid up member up to one hundred, and twenty-five cents for each paid up member over one hundred, will be allowed."

Municipalities are empowered to grant aid to such alliances if they see fit. The Fruit Growers' Association and any other agricultural association may come within the provisions of this act. A central farmers' institute to meet annually, and the collection of statistics are also provided for.

The bill contains a section to the effect that: "Upon application to the minister of ten or more resident and bona fide farmers of the district, such applicants may engage in and carry on on a co-operative basis ony of the following, viz.: (a) a Farmers' Exchange for buying and selling farm produce; (b) a cheese factory; (c) a creamery; (d) a fruit-canning, preserving or evaporating factory; (e) a mutual credit association for the purpose of receiving deposits and loaning money to its members; (f) or in any other enterprise that may be approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in council as coming among the objects and within the meaning of this act." An association formed under the power thus conferred comes under the Companies' Act. Twenty-five per cent. of the capital must be subscribed and ten per cent. be paid up to entitle applicants to the benefits of this part of this measure.

NO BOODLING AT VICTORIA.

A Higher Sense of Official Integrity and Honor on the Canadian Side of the Line.

I do not hesitate for one moment to say I believe there is a much higher sense of official dignity and honor on this side of the line than there is on the other side, and there could not well be a more striking illustration of the truth of this statement than the fact that there is just being completed under government supervision here a new capitol building for British Columbia, a splendid structure, with not a breath of suspicion that not a member of the goverument or legislature has made a dollar out of it improperly. With an expenditure of three-quarters of a million dollars there has never been any charge of the misappropriation of a cent.

Of course there are dishonest men in British Columbia as well as in other countries, but there is a sense of official honor and decorum here which one fails to discover in other places not a thousand miles distant, and if the people who live in some of these other places were to come over here and take a few lessons they might learn something to their advantage.—J. R. R. in the Rossland Miner.

MUTINY ON THE "RAND"

A Sealing Crew Take Objection to Their Bill of Fare and Demand Luxuries.

Schooners in Port Preparing to Sail —New Japanese Trans-Pacific Line.

Through the exercise of good judgement Captain J. O. Townsend, of the schooner C. D. Rand, has averted considerable trouble on board his vessel, which is searching for seal off the American coast. In a letter dated February 8 to Mr. Joseph Boscowitz of this city, the owner of the vessel, the Captain gives an account of an incipient mutiny which his men entered into, but which he was able to dispose of very successfully. The crew, Mr. Boscowitz explains, wanted to sample the luscious orange and other new season's fruits when off the Golden Gate; they wanted fresh meat, too, and though milk and honey were not specified in their bill of grievances, the fat of the land was that they wanted and with which only they would be pacified.

The bill of fare aboard ship not being immediately arranged to suit their demands they refused work and made strong protestations. Captain Townsend, notwithstanding all this, would not enter the Golden Gate. He steered clear of all such allurements, and with a little moral suasion and fresh meat was able to overcome the difficulty. He is to be in Euculet by the first of the coming month, and will there deal with all objections from his men. The weather, the captain states in his letter, has been extremely rough throughout the voyage. His catch up to the date of writing was 125 skins—better than the majority of the "takes" in Southern waters this year, for from the stray reports received from that locality those sealing grounds have not been productive of good results. One effect of the recent success of a number of sealing captains in securing Indian crews on the West Coast at rates satisfactory to them is now manifest on the local waterfront in the preparation of several vessels for sea. Craft which a week ago appeared harbor fixtures for the season are now refitting and provisioning, and it is not unlikely that next week will see the Dora Sieward, the Maud S., the Minnie, the Zillah May and others away. The Maud S. has already cleared and may hoist her canvas at any time now. Captain R. E. McKiel again has command, and besides a white crew of seven it is his intention to complete his complement of men with twenty West Coast Indians.

CHANGE REPORTED BECOMES EFFECTED.

Thursday's Seattle P.-I. says: "Capt. Edward Clements, recently of the steamer City of Kingston, and C. H. Wolford, first assistant engineer, have purchased of Barneson & Chilcot the little steamer Alert, and will leave in her this week for Juneau, where they will establish the Alert on a regular route in the vicinity of Juneau. The Alert is only 45 feet long, with a net registered tonnage of 11.85, but the old steamboatmen seem to think they have a good thing. Capt. Clements has been with the Kingston for seven years, first as pilot and afterwards succeeding Capt. George Roberts, at present, with others, operating the steamship Willapa. Capt. Anderson has been appointed master of the Kingston to succeed Capt. Clements. Capt. Anderson has been in charge of the Quartermaster dry dock for some time, and was before that captain of the old steamer Olympian. Mr. Wolford has been with the Kingston since the fall of 1887, filling the position of first engineer. He was one of the crew which came in her through the Straits of Magellan from the Hudson river.."

NEW JAPANESE LINE.

A movement is on foot in Japan, and from the best report available has every promise of being successfully carried out, to operate a line of steamships on the Pacific with Tacoma as the only American terminus, says the Union of that city. The name of the new concern is to be the Japan Volunteer Steamship Company. The vessels of the line are to be named after famous Japanese swords. At a recent gathering of the originators of the scheme they pledged themselves to maintain the patriotic spirit of the venture above the commercial. The new line expects to secure a large bonus from the government. It is the intention of the company to establish its head office in Kobe, and branches at Osaka, Yokohama, Tokyo, Moji, Misumi and Kelung. Moreover it will have offices in eleven of the principal Chinese ports, three in Korea and seven in Australia, is addition to the Tacoma office and a probable branch at Vladivostock.

THE "SAN PEDRO'S" DEMOLITION.

If Capt. T. P. H. Whitelaw's plans materialize, his famous wrecking vessel will be here from San Francisco early in March to commence work on the demolition of the old San Pedro. Dynamite will be used in the work and very different measures adopted to any heretofore employed. Instead of guarding against damage to the ship, explosives will be dropped in her hold systematically, and part by part the old vessel will be lifted to the surface by the wreckers and conveyed ashore, principally as old iron. As soon as the stranded hulk is all removed, a stone beacon, to be lighted by electricity supplied from ashore, will be immediately erected. The material for this has long been on hand.

THE "WILLAPA'S" OPPOSITION.

The steamship Willapa will raise a hornet's nest on her next voyage by going through to Dyea from Seattle, says the Post-Intelligencer. The Juneau merchants will be touched in a very tender spot, and will undoubtedly retaliate to the extent of their ability. Juneau had forseen the difficulty, and one of the special missions of G. W. F. Johnson, of the Alaska bureau of information, to Seattle was to induce the steamship lines not to send any steamers through to Dyea. That this mission was not totally successful is shown in the proposed action of the Willapa.

LUMBER FOR JAPAN.

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General Gomez in Full Flight Before the Forces of the Spaniards.

HAVANA (via Key West), Feb. 19.—If official reports are correct the insurgent army, under Gen. Gomez, has been divided into small corps and Gomez himself is in full retreat before the continued advance of Weyler. Dispatches from Ciego de Aviel say the insurgent commander in chief with 4,000 men recrossed the military line in the province of Puerto Principe extending from Jucaro to Monon and is going eastward through Puerto Principe in the direction of the capital of the province. Gen. Calixto de Garcia, Gomez' second in command, was reported four days ago in the vicinity of Puerto Principe, retreating towards the same point. Weyler arrived at Sancti Spiritus, the most important town of the eastern part of the province of Santa Clara, near the boundary of Puerto Principe, in the territory where the insurgent headquarters were recently located. Weyler will push forward to Monon, Ciego de Aviel and Jucaro, thus seemingly sweeping across the island with a large force, driving the enemy before him. He expects to entrap Gomez between two wings of the Spanish column, and force a decisive engagement before the rains put an end to military operations. Cubans believe, however, Gomez will, as usual, slip through the cordon before being completely enveloped.

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SARAH JENSEN,
Executrix of the Estate of the late Victor Jensen.
January 29th, 1897. ja30

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Remarkable Result of a Bull Fight —Westminster Board of Trade Wants Roads.

"Fortunes in Their Minds Lost Ere the Setting of the Sun."

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 19.—Vancouver is about to possess its first salmon cannery, that of the English Bay Canning Co. at Jericho, adjoining the city limits. The building will be large and capable of accommodating a pack of 30,000 cases. The structure is to be completed within six weeks in readiness for the year's operations. Quite a fleet of fishing boats now frequently engages in salmon catching during the season, practically within the city waters and hard by the new cannery site.

The chaingang men do not relish their involuntary task of brush-clearing pro bono publico, and one of their number yesterday managed to make a successful escape, though pursued for some distance by Officer North.

The two men, Dubeau and McKay, arrested in New Westminster as members of the Bruce-Creighton gang, have been remanded by the police magistrate on a charge of stealing steel drills valued at $25 from the store of Messrs. M. Lenvan & McFeely. The men have engaged counsel and will fight hard for freedom against their police prosecutors.

The South Vancouver district council has not met not for more than a month, Reeve Rae and a majority of his council being at issue in regard to the choice of a place of meeting. The majority desire to assemble at some point in South Vancouver, but Reeve Rae contends that as there is no municipal hall and the clerk's offices and council's books and papers are in Vancouver, where also most of the chief taxpayers reside, it is temporarily advisable still to meet within the city. The two contending parties each hold that they are legally and otherwise in the right, and as neither will give way there is quite an impasse over the matter. Meanwhile the affairs of North Vancouver also remain in statu quo pending necessary amendments of the Municipal Clauses Act of last session.

The winners of dog awards at the recent dog and poultry show held here complain that whilst cash prizes were given to successful poultry exhibitors in full, those showing dogs and awarded first and second prizes only received cards, and were not even privileged to obtain the repayment of their entrance fees. Most of those who visited the show went to see the dogs, hence the greater dissatisfaction of the canine fanciers. It is understood that the committee in charge of the show carries forward to next year's exhibition account a balance of about $90.

The Philharmonic Society's concert will realize for the Vancouver Indian famine fund a net sum of $150.

Ex-City Accountant Tetley has lost his case in respect of balance of salary alleged to be due to him by the city of Vancouver, as a result of the reduction of salary made at a council meeting in 1894, but not by a two-thirds majority of those present. Mr. Justice McColl held that a month's notice only was necessary in writing under the act, and as this was duly given, Mr. Tetley, who subsequently held office for more than two years and accepted reduced pay therefor, had no case for any further claim. Mr. E. P. Davis, Q.C., appeared for the plaintiff and City Clerk Hamersley for the city in this test case, on the decision of which other like claims are understood to have depended.

Percy A. Jenns left for Kamloops today on mining business. In conversation with a COLONIST reporter Mr. Jenns stated that mining matters were in a much more satisfactory state than heretofore at Kamloops. The unhealthy excitement had died down and there was more legitimate business being done. Not long ago prices of locations were subject to violent fluctuations in a single day. At one time $5,000 would be asked for a mine and not a cent less. In 24 hours the same vendor would be offering his proposition for $50 to enable him to take a share in "something else he liked better." Men made fortunes (in their minds) and lost them again before one sun had set. In the excitement some properties were purchased at remarkably low figures, which have since turned out excellent claims. In one instance a first class property was bought from the three owners at widely different prices, owing to the purchaser dealing with each one separately on the spot for cash. Though they had equal shares, one man got more than ten times what another did for his share. Coal Hill was well advertised in those days, and many Kootenay men came over and had a look around, and eventually bonded numerous properties. In August, 1895, Louis Victor Bennett staked the first property on Coal Hill. Mr. Bennett claims that he had known about the rock being in place on the claim a year before, and had kept it quiet until he was ready to handle the property. This was easy enough, and reasonable enough in those days, for no one dreamt that there was any mineral around Kamloops. But the announcement that rich mineralized ore had been found close to the city caused tremendous excitement, the town went wild, and of course there was a rush made for Coal Hill.

The second claim was staked by Messrs. Gream, Lyons and Ford, and was no other than the famous Iron Mask. The claim was sold for $540 cash and some stock to W. Newman, of Toronto, who organized a company, of which Clark Wallace is a prominent member. The Python was the next claim, staked by Indian Agent W. F. Wood and a partner. They at once drove a tunnel in their property 60 feet, with the most excellent results. After this J. H. Morrison staked several claims, conspicuous among them being the Sun Rise. Then came Gearen's Lucky Strike, already historical on account of the peculiar manner in which the mineral deposit was discovered. Gearen has a ranch and deals in dairy produce. He was driving home to his ranch and was passing a property were one of his bulls was pasturing. Another bull suddenly approached the Gearen bovine, and Mr. Gearen, seeing there was going to be a scrap, pulled up his horse. Rock and mud soon began to fly and the animals became horn-locked. Mr. Gearen seeing his bull was getting rather the worst of it jumped the fence and drove the enemy off the field. He wasn't thinking about mineral, but he thought the rock kicked from under the grass by the bulls looked rather funny; then he remembered the excitement in town about the mines near there. He drove home, told his people about the rock and showed it to them. He was advised to take a pick and go and investigate further. He went down several feet and the ore from the grass down proved exceedingly rich in copper among the richest on Coal Hill. The lucky strike was bonded to Mr. Cobbledick of Wales the other day for $15,000. The average assay is $54. The Iron Mask assays $70 and the Python $40.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Feb. 19.—The board of trade met yesterday under the presidency of Mr. C. G. Major. Action was taken with a view to secure from the Dominion government improvements of the navigation of Harrison river in view of the rapid development in mining around Harrison lake. The board also referred to its council the consideration of the British Columbia Board of Trade's report on the formation of mining companies, and a special committee was formed to attain accurate information as to navigation in the Fraser river, with a view to correct official documents relating thereto. The officers for the coming year were then appointed: Judge Bole, president; G. D. Brymner, vice-president; and Ald. Robson, secretary-treasurer.

A promenade concert and dance was held last evening at Herring's opera house in aid of the local Indian famine fund.

ROSSLAND.

(From the Rosslander.)

The Elsie Mining Company have elected directors as follows: G. A. Fraser, G. B. Strong, J. W. Young, Frank Walker, W. D. M. Fadden, P. D. Kearney and F. Macleod. Ed. Baillie was appointed secretary. The Elsie was owned chiefly by J. W. Young when the company was formed. Recently he has been selling some of his shares at considerably below the treasury price, some as low as five cents. At the meeting it was decided to offer treasury stock at five cents and Mr. Young agrees not to sell any of his for less.

The Dollaraday mine, near Vaneta, will soon, it is said, commence shipping ore to the Trail smelter.

The tunnel on the Ibex is in 60 feet. Seven men are at work on it in two shifts. It is expected to cut the ledge in about 60 feet further.

On the Ottawa the tunnel is in about 40 feet and seven men are at work in two shifts.

The drift in the Sunset No. 2 continues to look well. It is now in 65 feet and has three feet of solid ore in the face. The last assays taken from this went $48 in gold.

A syndicate of Rossland and Ontario men has recently been formed, and have bought nine valuable properties in this district. The company has been incorporated under the name of the Canada Mutual Mining and Development Company, and has an authorised capital of $2,500,000. Each of the claims has splendid surface showings. The company intend to start up three camps at once, each with a large force of men, and to push work as fast as possible.

Operations will be commenced to sink the shaft on the Great Western, which has some fine ore all over the bottom. This shaft is down about 20 feet and from it assays averaging $20 have been got. The surface showing are immense and in shaft no walls are visible. On the Golden Chariot, which adjoins the Great Western and belongs to the same company, a shaft is down 50 feet on one of the most perfect veins in the camp. The walls are from 30 inches to four feet apart. Assays from the bottom of the shaf went $10 to $12 in gold.

The management of the Bruce Gold Mining Company mean to make the Norway a mine which will be heard from in the way of dividends. The tunnel is in about 65 feet and from this point a winze will be sunk on the vein.

About fifty feet of a cutting on the Columbia & Western railway just north of the Y has been cribbed up and made a coaling depot for the engines. The coal is brought in on the Red Mountain road and hauled to the coaling station on sleighs.

VERNON.

(From the Vernon News.)

Despite the heavy snowfall this winter, the cattle throughout the district are looking in good condition, and so far there has been no scarcity of feed.

On Saturday F. H. Latimer received word from England by cable that an English company would put a six months' working bond on his two-thirds interest in the Blue Jay mineral claim for $10,000. One-quarter of this amount is paid down, and the balance will be forthcoming at the expiration of the time mentioned in the bond.

Work was begun last week on the Highland Mary, a claim lying about 2½ miles notheast of Armstrong. This claim is owned by six of the employes of the flour mill, who intend to do considerable development work this spring. As yet they have not had an assay, but the rock looks very promising.

John Townsend, formerly a well-known cheese-maker of Calgary, now at Fairview, states that it is his intention to start a cheese factory this spring at Vernon or in the near vicinity. He has had a long experience in this work, and feels assured that this district offers every facility for the successful operation of such an institution.

Al. Marsh, who was in town this week from the headwaters of Kettle river, over ten years ago began prospecting in that section, and found a gulch behind the Monashee mountain which he made up his mind contained gold. He at once proceeded to tunnel for bed rock, and since then, alone and unaided, miles from any human habitation, has continued his work. He has now a tunnel in over 900 feet, all accomplished by his own efforts and with his own hands. He has wheeled the earth and gravel out in a wheelbarrow and timbered up the tunnel as he went ahead, cutting the logs on the mountain side, rolling them down to the creek bottom, packing them on his back to the dump and shaping them with axe and saw into the necessary dimensions. Sometimes he would progress as much as a "set" (four feet) in a week; sometimes a slide would come from the roof which would require weeks of weary toil to remove. Immense boulders confronted him and had to be blasted, but despite all obstacles he has pursued his way. He is one of those men who wont give up. Of such stuff were the pioneer heroes of the West make.

MIDWAY.

(From the Midway Advance.)

A lively movement is commencing in mining circles, development having begun on the Clara and Coruna claims located near Round lake, and with most promising results, a good widening edge, rich in galena, having been uncovered.

A large circle of acquaintances are congratulating the interested parties on a happy event which has just taken place, the uniting in the bonds of matrimony Mr. C. A. R. Lambly, gold commissioner for the Osoyoos, Kettle River and Vernon districts of Yale, to Miss Hester E. Haynes, eldest daughter of the late Judge Haynes of Osoyoos.

The sale of a block of fifty-nine lots in the annexed portion of the Greenwood city townsite for the sum of $10,000 is announced to have taken place during the past week.

It is reported a deal has gone through on the Fontenoy claim in Camp McKinney, owned by H. Cameron.

It is said Leslie Hill, on behalf of the British Columbia Prospecting Syndicate, intends bringing in at once a steam hoist, which will be sent up on the Jewel claim in Long Lake camp.

Mining properties are rapidly changing hands in Camp McKinney, and this, coupled with the fact that Fairview properties are in great demand, gives an indication that free milling gold propositions are looked upon with extreme favor by the investing public.

Mr. Dickson, manager for the Smuggler Gold Mining Company at Fairview, has put some men to work on the Smuggler claim, and will soon have a force of men at work on the Stemwinder in the same camp. It is understood this company intends erecting a stamp mill for the treatment of the ore as it is being mined whilst development is being carried on.

SLOCAN.

[From the Slocan City News.]

A force of 28 men is at work clearing the right of way from the crossing to this place, and work is being rapidly pushed. The work of grading the road bed will be commenced as soon as the snow goes off and the frost is out of the ground. Work is also being rapidly pushed on the new boat which is being built at Rosebery. She will greatly resemble the Kokanee. It is expected to have her running some time early in April.

The Cold Blow group, adjoining the Black Prince on Demon creek, and owned by Harvey Fife, Paul Hauck and Stephen Tripp, of this place, has been bonded by the Britannia Mining Company, of Winnipeg.

The Enterprise is shipping ten tons of ore per day, and is showing up fine, having a large body of ore for stoping.

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TRANSVAAL RAID.

Cecil Rhodes, Formerly Premier of Cape Colony, Before the Parliamentary Committee.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The South African inquiry committee, appointed by parliament to investigate the Transvaal raid, resumed its sessions to-day in Westminster hall. Keen interest is manifested in the proceedings. The Prince of Wales occupied the same seat as on Tuesday last, next to the Earl of Selborne. Sir William Vernon Harcourt continued his examination of Colonel Cecil Rhodes, the former premier of Cape Colony.

The examination of Col. Rhodes was tedious and lasted all day long with waning interest. It developed nothing new of general interest. The witness frequently repeated that he did not want to shirk responsibility and that he acted solely in the capacity of a private citizen interested in the welfare of South Africa. He did not attempt to defend himself from the charge of having supplied the resources of the chartered company in aid of the revolution, and reiterated that he did not communicate with the Duke of Abercorn or other members of the chartered company in London relative to the raid. Col. Rhodes showed considerable skill in evading direct answers to awkward questions. The committee finally adjourned until Tuesday next.

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EXPENDITURES IN KOOTENAY.

Much has been said about an alleged disproportion of receipts from West Kootenay to expenditures, and the chief ground of complaint against the provincial government from that section of the Province, indeed we may say it is the chief of all the grounds of complaint, is based upon this imaginary discrepancy. We have taken the trouble to ascertain the actual facts of the case, and these show that so far from the province having been niggardly with West Kootenay, its treatment of that district has been liberal in the extreme. During the five years ending June 30, 1896, the provincial expenditure in West Kootenay reached the very respectable sum of $1,027,871, while the total contributions of the district to the provincial revenue during the same period amounted to $391,498. These amounts are made up as follows:

Expenditures—		
Railway grant principal	$617,072	
Interest	77,349	
Salaries	58,943	
Works and buildings	35,206	
Roads, streets and bridges	161,208	
Hospitals	5,000	
Education	18,656	
Surveys	35,437	$1,027,871
Receipts—		
All sources except lands and railways	$321,112	
Land sales	55,756	
Railways	14,630	391,498
Expenditure in excess of receipts		$ 635,373

Eliminating from this statement the payments on account of the railways and the receipts from the same source, we find that in the five years West Kootenay's account stood as follows:

	Receipts.	*Expenditures.*
1891-92	$ 54,402	$ 43,070
1892-93	77,031	45,228
1893-94	56,370	63,694
1894-95	66,162	84,020
1895-96	122,903	67,438
Total	$376,868	$303,450

If we add to these expenditures the excess of interest paid on the railway subsidy over the receipts from the railways, $62,719, we find that during the last five years the Province has paid on current account $366,169 on account of West Kootenay against $376,868 receipts; that is to say, of the total amount received in the five years mentioned from West Kootenay only $10,699 has been available for the general expenses of the provincial government as distinguished from local expenses, or a trifle over $2,000 a year. It may be that this showing affords just ground for complaint, but we fail to see that West Kootenay is entitled to make it.

We do not wish to overlook the fact that in 1895-96 the revenue from West Kootenay greatly exceeded the expenditures there, but it will be seen by reference to the above statement of expenditures in detail that there has been no necessary relation between receipts and expenditures of this district in any one year any more than there has been between those of any other district. Receipts fluctuate and so do expenditures, the former depending upon circumstances which can never be accurately foreseen, the latter upon what seem to be the most urgent necessities of the district at the time the estimates are made up. When the estimates for 1895-96 were made up, that is in the early part of 1895, no one anticipated that the receipts from West Kootenay would increase as they have done or that the influx of population would create a demand for larger expenditures.

The above showing completely disproves the case which the Opposition press has been laboring for the past few months to make out, and cuts away all ground for the assertion that West Kootenay is being discriminated against or has been paying far more into the provincial treasury than has been expended there.

LAND TITLES IN ROSSLAND.

The claims of the squatters in the town of Rossland are to be brought before the legislature by petition. The question involved is the cause of much discussion in the town and ought to be settled in some way at the earliest possible day, for as long as it is in abeyance improvements and building operations will be generally retarded. The petition circulated for signatures represents that all the land occupied in Rossland, except the original townsite, known as lot 535, group I, West Kootenay, is claimed by the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway Company, but the right of the railway to all the lands except that south of the original townsite is claimed by other parties. The Paris Belle Gold Mining Company insists that its mineral claim is excepted from the grant to the railway; the owners of the Derby mineral claim take the same position in regard to the land within the limits of their claim, and Charles Dundee claims 320 acres north and northwest of the original townsite under a pre-emption filed in 1894, which was before the grant to the railway. These three parcels of land are the best adapted for building site of any in the vicinity of the original townsite and probably three-fourths of the population reside on them. The claims of the Paris Belle and the railway are in litigation, and Dundee proposes to test his claim by a suit, but the petitioners think it will take two years to determine the legal questions involved and say the delay will be intolerable. They therefore want an act passed to provide for a board of commissioners to fix a price for the land and give a title to purchasers, the money when paid to be held for the benefit of the parties entitled to it.

On the face of it the proposition seems a very reasonable one. The railway company has prepared an agreement which is intended to meet the case, but objection is made to it on the ground that it really holds the company to nothing. All that the company agrees to is to convey "the title thereto as the same as is now held by the party of the first part (the company) by its Crown grant." If this is all that the company is bound to do by the agreement it certainly will have an advantage over the purchasers. It will satisfy its part of the agreement by giving such title as it has. If that title is only a colorable one the company does not agree to refund the purchase money. The Rossland Miner, which has not been disposed especially to favor the squatters, admits that the meaning of the agreement needs elucidation. We have no desire to prejudge the matter or to unduly interfere in a matter especially affecting Rossland, but it appears as if the proposition of the squatters as set out in their petition is wholly equitable. It certainly is of great importance to a large number of people that titles to land in the growing town should be placed beyond question as soon as possible.

THE Alaska News, printed at Juneau, does not look very kindly upon the proposal to build a railway from the Stickeen to Lake Teslin. It says that last year at least 1,000 miners outfitted in Juneau for the Yukon, and that each of them spent for equipment at least $100, or $100,000 in all, not including their expenses in that town. If the proposed road is built, the News says, most of this trade will be done in Victoria and other British Columbia ports, for "no one would pack a ton or two of supplies over the Chilkat pass, build a boat and float down a more or less dangerous river, if he could ship his goods by water and rail to his destination and travel with ease and comfort." The News goes on to say: "The same would be true of miners returning in the fall. They could leave Circle City the middle of September or perhaps as late as October on a steamer running to Lake Teslin and be able to get out before winter overtook them. Not one out of a hundred of these miners would ever see Juneau." The Juneau paper is not very clear what it can do to head off this danger to the trade of the town. It thinks the Chilkat route via the Doulton Strait is practically as good as the Stickeen-Teslin route, and calls upon Congress to do something to meet the emergency.

DR. SELWYN has been heard from again. He has stated that he has been entirely misrepresented and misunderstood as to the remarks he made at the Mining Association meeting in Montreal on Thursday last. As a matter of fact, he says he did not state that British Columbia was not a mining country. What he did state was that Canada as a whole was not a mining country. That statement was made exclusive of British Columbia. In 1885 Dr. Selwyn strongly advised all mining speculators to go to the Rocky Mountains, as there he believed were the greatest mines that could be found. That statement proved true, and Dr. Selwyn says he would be foolish to make the directly opposite statement now. So says the Toronto Star, which goes to show that the COLONIST was right when it said at the very outset what Dr. Selwyn says now.

THE United States Congress has passed the law aimed at the exclusion of Canadian workmen from that country. The Toronto Star is responsible for the following: "Inspector De Barry has refused to admit to Buffalo a woman from the Canadian side of the Niagara River, Mr. Smythe, of Wainfleet, who had been engaged by a prominent Buffalonian as wet nurse of his wife's babe. Mrs. Smythe is well-to-do, and went to Buffalo to save the infant's life, hence De Barry can glory, not in turning back a pauper, but in endangering a child's life." To what inexpressible meanness a great nation can descend.

REPRESENTATIVE REBO, of the Missouri legislature, is a genius in his line. He has moved for a committee of five to go to the Fitzsimmons-Corbett prize fight to report to the house as to the expediency of legalizing prize fights in Missouri. It is charitable to assume that Mr. Rebo is a gentleman of a humorous turn.

THE President of the Farmers Alliance is named Thrift. In hoc signo vinces.

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If congress humors the hoggish lumbermen who want a protective duty of $2 a thousand, it will be no trouble to us to tax logs and pulp wood passing from Canada to the United States. The government is already armed with the power, as the clause of the tariff law providing for such an export duty was only suspended, not repealed.—Mail and Empire.

PROVINCIAL PARTY LINES.

New dividing lines now in provincial politics may have some advantages, but will have also its drawbacks, and it is a question whether the time has yet arrived to introduce the new order of things.—The Rosslander.

DR. SELWYN'S VIEWS.

The newspapers need not get so awfully cross because Dr. Selwyn establishes the rule of supplying the single exception which is necessary to prove it.—Calgary Herald.

A NANAIMO VIEW OF THE FINANCES.

We plug up the bung-hole, and there is a big overflow at the other end.—Vanaimo Mail.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

The Giddy Young Thing—What is that proverb about there being no marrying in Heaven? The Chronic Bachelor—"Fools rush in where angels fear to tread."—Indianapolis Journal.

Mrs. Mann (meeting former servant)—Ah, Mary, I suppose you are getting better wages at your new place? Mary—No, Ma'am. I'm working for nothing now. I'm married.—Boston Transcript.

When Mr. Bickers went home the other afternoon there was a visitor in the parlor talking to his wife. "John," said Mrs. Bickers to her husband, "let me introduce you to Mr. Holliday, an old beau of mine." "Glad to meet you Mr. Holliday!" replied Mr. Bickers, cordially. "Please accept my sincere congratulations."—Puck.

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LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

It is not often that a member in charge of a bill is met by such an entire misconception of its purpose as the Attorney-General was when he brought up the Masters and Servants' Act yesterday. The critics of the measure ignored entirely the fact that every subject dealt with in the various sections comes within the scope of the law as it now stands. Thus a man may contract with another to give him his services for as many years as he likes. Mr. Eberts' bill limits the time during which such contracts will hold good to nine years. Yet several members objected that this was putting undue power in the hands of employes. In point of fact it limited the power of employers by fixing the outside duration of such contracts instead of making them unlimited. The section relieving profit-sharing employes from the operation of the partnership law was treated as though it were designed to do them an injury, when in point of fact it was wholly for their benefit. Some members wanted to amend this section so as to give such employes a right to inspect the books of the concern, quite oblivious of the fact that if this were done the whole section would be killed, for no man would ever permit his employes to share in the profits if that gave them the right to overhaul his books at their pleasure.

The strangest misconception was over the section providing that the statute should apply to the case of persons hired abroad. This provision, as Mr. Sword pointed out, was wholly in favor of the workmen, but the house struck it out under the mistaken notion that thereby they were preventing the hiring of foreign laborers. The majority of the members shut their eyes to the fact that at the present time a man may go anywhere in the world and hire workmen to come to British Columbia, and got a notion into its head that the section struck out was calculated to give contractors and others privileges which they do not now enjoy. In fact the proposed section would take away from contractors hiring people abroad an advantage which they now have. But the house would not see it.

Mr. Kellie had a question of privilege. He had read something in the COLONIST. Mr. Kellie was right, in point of fact, for it is a privilege to read the COLONIST. He was wrong, in point of parliamentary law, for the publication by a newspaper of a list of mining incorporations does not touch the privileges of the legislature. However, Mr. Kellie was not making any complaint. He was simply calling the government's attention to the fact that the COLONIST'S list showed the necessity of hastening the passage of the Companies Act.

When Mr. Macpherson is alone, does he agree with himself?

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THE CITY.

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GEO. S. POULDIO was yesterday committed for trial from the city police court on the charge of keeping a gaming house. Bonds were accepted.

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LITTLE Sammy Johnson will sing at the Y.M.C.A. popular concert to-night, and among other special attractions of the concert are instrumental selections by the Misses Blackie, Miss M. Atkinson, Miss Haughton and Mr. Hollins, and vocal selections by Messrs. Smith, Cave and Issler.

A PRIVATE telegram from Alberni yesterday gave the acceptable news that out of three tons of rock from the Consolidated Alberni mine a return of $500 had been obtained. Such a showing is one of which all interested in Vancouver Island have reason to feel proud; it more than justifies the confidence that has been expressed in this famous property.

TO-DAY'S football fixtures, as outlined in the COLONIST of yesterday, are as follows: New Westminster vs. Nanaimo, at Nanaimo; Victoria (Rugby(vs. the Navy, at Esquimalt; Districts (Rugby) vs. Y.M.C.A., at Beacon Hill, and Y.M.C.A. vs. Columbias (association), at Beacon Hill. Yesterday the North and South ward schools had an excellent game at the hill, in which the representatives of the latter proved victorious by a score of two goals to nil.

IN Christ church cathedral on Wednesday evening last, Rev. Canon Beanlands officiated at an interesting nuptial ceremony, in which Miss Annie Winter, daughter of Mrs. Geo. Winter, of Fairfield road, and Mr. Duncan James McDonald were the chief participants. A large number of friends witnessed the event and the popularity of the young couple was further substantially testified to by a varied and well selected collection of presents. The bride's toilette included a much prized bouquet of chrysanthemums, dahlias, heather and orange blossoms, the last mentioned flowers having been imported from California for the occasion by Mrs. A. W. Sayward.

A PLEASANT programme was rendered at the open meeting of the Sir William Wallace social last night. Piper P. McDonald, who is about to leave the city, was present and played the following: "Barren Rocks of Eden, "Sojer's Joy," "Castle Grant," and "The night I was in Glasgow." Mr. Russell, who was in fine voice, sang "Jessie the Flower O'Dunblane"; Mr. W. Kerr gave a brief outline of the work of the society for the past eight years; Mr. Mackie sang, "Up in the Morning Early"; Mr. Henderson recited, "Tell This to His Native Mountains"; Mr. George Webb gave "Reminiscences of Morayshire"; Mr. Dick sang, "The Anchor's Weighed" in fine style, and Auld Lang Syne closed the meeting in enjoyable and characteristic fashion.

A SOMEWHAT interesting point in mining law was argued before Mr. Justice Drake yesterday in the case of Kilbourne et al v. McGuigan, the property concerned being the American Boy mining claim in Slocan district, in which the boundaries are in dispute. The question was whether an adverse mineral claim which has not been filed in the mining recorder's office in the mining division in which the mine is situated but in the gold commissioner's office is valid, and under what circumstances the court will grant an extension of time for taking proceedings on the adverse claim after the statutory limit for doing so has elapsed. Judgment will likely be given to-day. Mr. A. E. McPhillips for plaintiff; Mr. Gordon Hunter for defendent.

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AN inquest was yesterday decided to be unnecessary in the case of Mrs. W. R. Marshall of Victoria West, who died very suddenly on Wednesday evening. The post mortem examination enabled a cause of death to be certified without further formality.

THE programme of the concert to be given by the Fifth Regiment band at the drill hall to-night is as follows: Part I—March, "Dorscht," Weigand; overture, "Raymond," Thomas; organ offertory, "The Celebrated," Batiste; selection from "Macbeth," Verdi. Part II—Waltzes, "Jolly Fellows," Voelsdet; solo for violin, selected, Bandsman A. P. Freimuth; descriptive piece, "A Hunting Scene," Bucalossi; selection from "A Trip to Africa," Suppe.

AN especially interesting lecture on an exceedingly appropriate topic for the benefit of the famine fund is arranged for the evening of Thursday next at A.O.U.W. hall, under the patronage of the Lieutenant-Governor, the Premier, the Mayor and the Bishop of Columbia. The subject is "India, its Peoples, Palaces and Tombs," and the lecturer is Mr. J. W. Laing, M.A., F.R.G.S., a gentleman admirably qualified to deal with it instructively and entertainingly.

MISS MAUD SNARR, of Toronto, is one of the few Canadian vocalists who have all the qualities necessary to a large success. She not only possesses a sympathetic mezzo-soprano voice of great compass, but also the artistic insight and temperament to correctly interpret in expression and action the intention of the words. Miss Snarr's reputation so far is purely a local one, but those who have knowledge of her ability are convinced that further training of her grand voice and travel would convert this into a continental if not world-wide character. In a recent issue the Toronto Globe speaks in the following terms of her singing in St. James Cathedral: "During the offertory Miss Maud Snarr sang the solo "Oh, Divine Redeemer," by Gounod, most acceptably. Miss Snarr's voice is most sympathetic, and the volume is wonderful when one sees the petite, graceful figure from which the tone proceeds. She is, besides, a conscientious student, and, loving her art, is sure to win for herself a first place."

A SECOND POSTPONEMENT.

Sailors From ths "Lyderhorn" Remain in Jail Awaiting the Arrival of a Witness.

Owing to the non-arival yesterday morning of Thomas Newman, one of the principal witnesses in the case pending against eleven sailors of the bark Lyderhorn, the trial has again been postponed. In the meanwhile the sailors await the process of the law in the provincial jail. There is the possibility of an interesting side issue arising out of their defence, Captain Lewis, the shipping master at this port, realizing the situation yesterday pointed out to Superintendent Hussey of the provincial police the clauses touching the case in the Mariners' Shipping Act. These set forth clearly the law regarding the engaging of crews on the American side and the bringing of them afterwards into Canadian territory for the signing of articles. Whether the law has been complied with in this particular instance Captain Lewis is not in a position to say, as the case arises outside his jurisdiction. The principle involved, however, is what he is interested in, as he does not think it right that sailors at home should be ignored for those to be obtained elsewhere, particularly under the "cribbing" system or according to the idea of the agencies on the Sound for the supplying and boarding of crews.

PERSONAL.

A. Goldberg, of Seattle, is registered at the Dominion.

E. M. Yarwood, of Nanaimo, is registered at the Driard.

J. Roderick Robertson, Nelson, is among the arrivals at the Driard.

James Macaulay and H. A. Jones, Vancouver, are at the New England.

J. L. Browne, the well known nurseryman, of Ladners, is at the Dominion.

H. G. McConnan and wife returned from Kamloops by last night's Charmer and are staying at the Oriental.

T. M. Henderson, of the firm of Langley & Henderson Bros., left for Montreal yesterday morning on a business trip.

THE cars will convey you to and from the Woodmen's charity ball. x

Bass' XXXX on draught at the Occidental x

HEARD IN THE HOTELS.

A Misunderstood Mission—Daniel's Bravery —Vancouver's Mayor in Town.

Aulay Morrison, M.P., for Westminster, who is at the Driard, related last night with much amusement how he was taken for an emissary sent down to Olympia with British gold to buy up the Washington legislature. Being anxious to post himself as to the feeling in Washington regarding the protection of the salmon fishery, he went down to Olympia with Mr. D. J. Munn, the Westminster canner, to see the outcome of the bill brought before the Washington legislature to do away with the traps. What was his surprise to see his visit heralded in the press in Seattle and Olympia as having taken over a load of gold to purchase the passage of the act. However, he enjoyed his visit and speaks highly of the pleasant time he spent among Uncle Sam's citizens.

Mayor Templeton and Dr. Carroll, of Vancouver, who arrived last night, are here in the interest of a railroad from the coast through the Southern portion of the province. Mayor Templeton said last night that he was a member of the syndicate, who were asking for the charter to build the road, but he was really in favor of it being a government enterprise, as he wanted the road built to develop the country.

R. T. Daniel, of Spokane, is now interested in British Columbia mines, but once he was a cattle rancher in Washington. The pluck and enterprise he has shown in opening up the Little Joker mine belonging to the Lookout Mountain Mining Co., in which he is largely interested, is proved by the following incident of his early career:

"There were mighty few women to be seen when I was ranching in Washington years ago," he said, "but finally an old fellow with two pretty daughters settled in our district. Then the boys were all dead anxious to see them, but, as you know, the life a cow-boy leads off to himself makes him feel pretty shy when there is a woman round. However, the boys would ride up to the house and ask for a drink of water or inquire about a stray heifer, but nary one of them had the courage to get off his horse when the old woman asked them in, but would shy off like a scared three-year-old. Well, one day I came along and when the old woman asked me to get down I jumped right off my pony and told her straight out: 'See here, ma'rm, I a'int like those other fellows. I a'int hunting a lost steer nor a strayed pony, and I don't want a drink of water, either. I've come to see those daughters of yours.' Well, sir, that old woman, she grabbed me by the hand and yanked me into the house, saying, 'Thank the Lord there's one fellow round here got some hoss sense.

D. Rabbitt, of Armstrong, who is at the Oriental, is travelling for the Okanagan Flour Mills, but like the rest of the people from that section he has become interested in mining and hopes to make a good thing out of some property in which he is interested near Okanagan lake. The ore is a quartz carrying gold, with just a little lead and copper as well, but the lead as a rule is free milling.

PHILIPPINE REBELS.

Many of the Most Prominent in the Hands of the Spanish—Their Ideas Largely Socialistic.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—A dispatch to the Herald from Manila says: General Lachambre, who has occupied Santi Domingo, is now advancing on Silling, Cornell and Marina, and will attack the rebel forces within three days. The number of troops employed is not published. The batteries employed are two Krupp batteries of eight centimetres, one battery of nine and two mortars of fifteen centimetres. With General Lachambre is General Marina, who takes one battery of artillery of eight companies. From all reports it would seem that if the Spaniards are lucky enough to inflict a decisive chastisement upon the rebels in Cavite, the entire revolution will collapse.

The absence of a rebel leader must tell upon the rebels and all their principal men are either in the fortress here or have been shot by the authorities. Francisco Rojas, the millionaire and friend of Gen. Blanco; Rizal, the doctor and idol of the Philippine Indians; Luna, the artist whose pictures won a gold medal at the Paris exposition, and every other native or half-caste of wealth or influence in the Catipunan or inner circles of conspirators which the natives created for their own purposes inside the lodges of Masonry, into which the Spaniards confidently initiated them years ago, are in the toils of the law and may be shot any day.

An immense amount of suffering has been inflicted on their families by those misguided men. In dozens of cases large estates of those implicated have been embargoed by the government, and people formerly opulent are reduced to poverty. Even some native Catholic priests are among the prisoners, seven at least having been tempted into the plot. The machinations of the rebels seem to have permeated all quarters and they have taken in their withering grasp natives and halfbreeds in every station of life, from the millionaire property owner, local governor, lawyer, government clerk, official, doctor or professor in the college, to the most ignorant and poorest fisherman and domestic servant in foreign or Spanish employ. Indeed, it would be difficult to find a parallel for such widespread treachery.

The rebels believe that if they can get rid of the Spaniards they can run the country and pay no more taxes. Every one will have plenty to eat, nothing to do and pay no "cedula" or other tax to anybody. Their ideas are largely socialistic. This is the simple argument which the agents use everywhere to beat up recruits and to get peasants to join their ranks. As an illustration of these delightful tenets the washermen, who mostly all turned rebels, walked off with half the wardrobes of male and female Manila, for everyone uses white tropical clothing the year round, and consequently for a time the rebels were the best dressed gentlemen in the Philippines, while their luckless customers were getting new clothes together.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Third Session of the Seventh Parliament.

NINTH DAY.

FRIDAY, Feb. 19.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock. Prayers by Rev. S. Cleaver.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Cotton presented a petition for a private bill to incorporate the Kootenay Power & Light Co. to supply power and light to towns in Kootenay.

Mr. Helmcken—For a private bill to incorporate the Grand Forks Water, Power & Light Co.

Mr. Helmcken—Against the Cascade Water Company bill.

The following petitions were read and received:

From "The Cottonwood River Alluvial Gold Mining Company," for a bill to consolidate their mining leases and properties.

From William Templeton and others, for a bill to incorporate "The Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company."

From D. W. Moore and others, for a bill to incorporate "The Kaslo, Lardeau and Duncan Railway Company."

From "The Cariboo Railway Company," for a bill to amend their corporate act.

From Charles Wilson and others, for a bill (re "Greenwood City and Boundary Falls Water Company.")

From "The Vancouver and Lulu Island Railway Company," for a bill to amend their corporate act.

From A. W. Jones and others, for a bill to incorporate "The Nelson Water Works Company."

From "The Kootenay Power Company," for a bill to amend their corporate act.

Mr. Booth presented the fourth report of the select committee on private bills and standing orders as follows: That the standing order in reference to the following petitions have been complied with:

The Petition of the Thompson River Hydraulic Mining Company; the petition of the Brandon Water and Light Company.

Your committee beg to report with reference to the petition of the Kaslo Electric Light Company that the standing orders have been complied with in so far as the petition deals with so much of the application as asks for the power of generating electricity for the supply of light, power and heat, and recommend that a bill be allowed to be introduced for that purpose.

The report was received.

Major Mutter presented the second report of the printing committee, recommending that certain returns be printed.

Hon. Mr. Eberts presented returns giving the judgment of the Full Court regarding the Small Debts Act, and Coal Mines Regulation Amendment Act.

Major Mutter moved, seconded by Mr. Helmcken, for a return of all papers, correspondence and reports in connection with the construction of a bridge over the Thompson river at Kamloops. Carried.

Mr. Kellie, on a question of privilege, called attention to the very large number of joint stock companies that were being incorporated with an immense capital, and asked that the Government would expedite the Companies Act so as to check this state of things. This immense capitalization of companies, some of which had not $1,000 worth of work done on their claims, would act like a boomerang and injure the mining interests of the province if it were not stopped.

MASTERS AND SERVANTS.

The house went into committee of the whole on the Master and Servants bill, with Mr. Stoddart in the chair.

Mr. Kennedy moved that in section 2, the term for which a voluntary contract of service or indenture should be binding be fixed at five instead of nine years. The amendment was lost.

Some discussion arose over section 3, which provided for a profit sharing agreement between master and servant in any trade or business. Mr. Macpherson wanted to have the periodical statement by profits made by a chartered accountant instead of by the employer.

The Attorney General pointed out that the expression a chartered accountant did not apply to this province. The same section had been found advantageous in Ontoria, and he pointed out that if the employer were acting fraudulently the workman could have his recourse, as it was a well known principle at law that fraud vitiates every contract. The amendment was lost.

There was more discussion over clause 8, which provided that any agreement made outside of British Columbia for service within British Columbia could be enforced in British Columbia, provided it was of such a character that it would be binding if it had been made within the province. This section was struck out.

The committee rose and reported the bill complete with amendments.

Mr. Hume introduced the Lardeau railway bill, which was read a first time and referred to the railway committee.

Mr. Rogers introduced the bill to amend the Lillooet, Fraser River and Cariboo Gold Fields Limited Act, 1896. It was read a first time and refered to the private bills committee.

The house went into committee of the whole on the B. C. Southern Railway Aid Act Amendment bill, Mr. Kennedy in the chair.

Dr. Walkem objected to the use of the word "ambiguity" in the act when the first section was read, but it passed without any further discussion.

DR. WALKEM APOLOGISES.

A little later Dr. Walkem said he wished to apologise to the Provincial Secretary for what he had said the day before. He had made a mistake in the sum, for while he did not mean to say the Provincial Secretary pocketed the money, he believed that the amount for which the charter was sold in Montreal was $160,000 and not $180,000. (Laughter.) It was all very well for the premier to laugh, but Nero laughed when Rome was burning. (Renewed laughter.)

The Provincial Secretary, while accepting the apology, was sorry to say not a cent had come into his pockets; he only wished it had.

Mr. Helmcken took exception to the word ambiguity in the bill and moved to change the title to read "An act to define the operation of the B.C. Railway Aid Act, 1894."

Hon. Mr. Eberts proceeded to again explain how the ambiguity arose and went over his remarks of the previous day, pointing out that the ambiguity was between the preamble and the enacting clauses.

Mr. Helmcken's amendment was lost and the bill reported to the house complete without amendment. The report was adopted.

In reply to Mr. Hume, the Attorney-General stated that the delay in bringing down the bill for the incorporation of the city of Nelson was because a deputation was expected as a result of a public meeting at that town and it was desired to know if the bill met the views of the citizens.

Mr. Cotton having brought up the necessity of giving some aid at once to

FAMINE-STRICKEN INDIA,

The Premier stated that the government, owing to the urgency of the case, had already taken the matter in hand and he had intended to inform the house that they had taken the responsibility of wiring that a sum of $2,000 would be placed in the estimates for the Indian relief fund. Being assured that the whole house would be in accord, he had wired that the amount could be drawn upon immediately.

Mr. Cotton next inquired whether the government were prepared to state what policy they had agreed on with regard to the preservation of the public water rights.

Hon. Mr. Turner replied that the government had the matter under consideration, but there were a number of other urgent matters before the government, and though they were working hard it was impossible to get through all at once.

Mr. Smith believed that some means should be taken to hedge about water privileges in order that people to whom they were granted should be deprived of their charters unless the water was used.

Hon. James Baker explained that the government had under consideration the general law governing water rights. The private bills committee could exercise their powers in regard to special privileges asked in private bills.

Hon. Mr. Turner remarked that the government must be careful not to trench on the powers of the private bills committee.

Mr. Semlin would like to see some principle enunciated that unless the water was used for the purposes for which it was asked the privileges granted should be taken away.

Mr. Helmcken did not want the private bills committee's hands tied, and Mr. Booth was of opinion that people should be made to understand that blanket privileges would not be allowed.

Hon. Mr. Turner presented a message from the lieutenant governor enclosing a bill to establish farmers' institutes.

The house adjourned till Monday.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Forster—Whereas, at the present stage of mining development in British Columbia, the construction of railways has become an imperative necessity; and whereas the construction of a railway from the Coast to Southern Kootenay and through the Crow's Nest Pass has become particularly desirable; and whereas it is deemed to be in the interest of the people that such railway should be constructed and owned by the government; and whereas the province annually pays into the Dominion treasury a sum several hundred thousand dollars in excess of the sum returned to it in subsidies, public works and its share of the cost of administration; therefore be it resolved that in the opinion of this house the government of British Columbia should enter into negotiations with the Dominion government to secure the construction by that government, or by that government with the assistance of this province, of a railway from the Coast to Crow's Nest Pass; and that failing the acceptance by the Dominion government of this policy, the provincial government should endeavor to obtain from the Dominion government such assistance as will enable the province to build the railway as a provincial work without straining its resources too heavily.

Mr. Kennedy to move, that an order of the house be granted for a return showing:

1. The total number of acres of land conveyed or alienated or in process of conveyance or alienation under chap. 14 of the Island Railway act, 1884, and under all other railway aid or land grant acts since that date.

2. Total number of acres now under reserve for the purpose of or with the object of being conveyed or alienated under any such act.

Mr. Semlin—That a select committee composed of Messrs. Booth, Walkem, Stoddart, Forster and the mover be appointed to inquire into the state of the public health in the principal centres of population with power to call for persons and papers, and to report to this house.

By Mr. Adams—That an order of the house be granted for a return of the dues collected on cordwood in the different districts in the province, as provided for in the Land act of 1876.

Capt. Irving—That an order of the house be granted for a full return of all papers and reports from any person or persons, and correspondence between any members of the government and any other person, also a detailed statement of money expended by the government in connection with the Quatsino and Cape Scott colonization scheme.

Mr. Kellie—To ask leave to introduce a bill entitled An act for the incorporation and construction of toll roads in mining districts.

Mr. Helmcken—Whereas it appears that the government of the Dominion of Canada and the government of the province of British Columbia have agreed to act upon the terms of the resolution passed by this honorable house on the 28th day of January, 1896; and whereas the question submitted is of so great importance that it is desirable the special commission should meet for the purpose of proceeding with the reference without further delay: Be it therefore resolved that a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Goverhor to request the Dominion government instruct their commissioners to meet the commissioner of the province of British Columbia and arrange for an early appointment to proceed with the reference looking to the removal of the present Songhees Indian reserve.

Mr. Kellie—To introduce an act to amend the B. C. Railway Act.

QUESTIONS.

Mr. Kennedy—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce at this session any legislation for the purpose of (1) the payment of grand jurors, (2) the better care of explosives?

Mr. Hume to ask the Minister of Mines—How many owners of mineral claims have paid into the provincial treasury in lieu of performing the annual amount of assessment work required by the Mineral Act? 2. What amount has West Kootenay contributed in lieu of assessment work? 3. What is the total amount received from the above sources?

Mr. Helmcken will move to discharge the order for the third reading of bill No. 4 and recommit the same for the purpose of considering the following proposed amendments:

To strike out the title and insert the following in lieu thereof: "An act to amend the British Columbia Southern Railway Aid Act, 1894."

To strike out the whole of the preamble down to and inclusive of the word "therefore" of the enacting clause.

That section 1 be struck out and the following words be substituted therefor: "1. This act may be cited as the B.C. Southern Railway Aid Act, 1894, and amendment act, 1897."

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Ebner	10	"	35,000
Juneau	30	"	35,000
Jualin	10	"	20,000
Alaska-Willoughby	10	"	15,000
Green	10	"	15,000
Li Yrga, placer			15,000
Cook Inlet, placer			175,000
Birch Yukon, placer			1,300,000
Other Yukon, placer			800,000
Various small placers			25,000
Total			$4,670,000

An increase of $1,620,000 over 1895.

THE COMPANIES' ACT.

TO THE EDITOR:—The formation of joint stock companies is a matter of such vital importance at this juncture of affairs in British Columbia that it behooves all business people who have had experience in the working of companies to exchange thoughts and ideas so as to have the greatest amount of practical knowledge brought to bear on the devising of a companies' act which shall be alike advantageous to shareholders and creditors. I agree with your correspondent, Mr. Kitchen, that section 20 in its present form will strike a death blow. It is calculated to help the moneyocracy at the expense of the honest and energetic prospector and miner. I see no reason why persons incorporating should not be at liberty to commence business at any time irrespective of the amount paid up, providing other safeguards are strictly imposed. I notice a correspondent in the B. C. Commercial Journal signing himself "Equity" makes some very excellent suggestions which are well worth quoting, and run as follows:

"Among other things are the preparing of a proper balance sheet at least once a year, a copy of which should be sent to each shareholder and a copy filed at the office of the registrar of joint stock companies along with the summary of capital and shares of the company, as indicated in form E appended to the proposed act. All liens, mortgages, or other instruments affecting the standing of a company should be registered with the registrar of joint stock companies within a few days of their execution. A full and complete audit of all accounts should be imperative at frequent intervals, such being done by competent and independent persons whom the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council might sanction or approve of so as to safeguard as far as possible both shareholders and creditors. It is highly desirable that the new act should be so far retrospective as to require all existing companies, whether foreign or otherwise, to comply with the same conditions as regards audit, registering mortgages, etc., and filing summary of capital and shares together with properly certified balance sheets with the registrar of joint stock companies."

It is also desirable that provision should be made to give shareholders finding actual cash a preponderance of voting power at meetings, so as to prevent as far as possible such cases as one has witnessed where those who have invested hard-earned cash have been so out-voted by the "paper capitalists" as to be completely frozen out. Such voting restrictions might be modified as soon as a company becomes dividend-paying.

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January 19th, 1897. ja19

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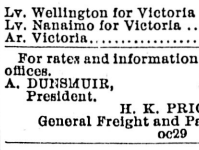

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Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for the passage of an act to incorporate a Company to be called "The Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company," to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from some point on Burrard Inlet or English Bay to New Westminster; thence eastward through the valley of the Fraser River and the southern part of British Columbia, by the most direct and feasible route, to the Town of Rossland, with power to amalgamate with, lease, purchase or otherwise acquire the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company, or any railway, or portion of a railway, either as a branch of or part of such main line; to build a branch line or lines from the City of New Westminster to some point on the coast line between the International Boundary Line and Point Garry, and such other branch lines as may be deemed advisable; to construct and maintain steamers, ferries, wharves and docks; to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for other than railway purposes.

A. L. BELYEA, Solicitor for the Applicants.

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Estate of William Gibson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Alonzo S. Taylor, of Everett, State of Washington, U S, by order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem, has been appointed to administer, within the Province of British Columbia, the estate of the above-named deceased, who died at Monte Cristo, Snohomish County, State of Washington, on the 22nd day of December, 1895.

All debts owing to the said estate are to be paid, and all claims against the said estate are to be presented duly verified, to the undersigned.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1896.

SAMUEL D. SCHULTZ,
49 Langley street, Victoria, B.C.,
Solicitor for the Administrator.

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NOTICE

We hereby give notice that application will be made at the next sittings of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria for the transfer of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail at the Saint George's Hotel, Esquimalt Road, from ourselves to Mrs. Ann Rothwell.

Dated 21st January, 1897.

JAMES MARCH.
DAVID CLARKE.

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GEO. A. SARGISON,

NOTARY PUBLIC,

Accountant and Agent.

No. 48 Langley Street.

MATERNITY HOME for married ladies, 199 Johnson street. Applicants please apply at the Home, or to Mrs. Higgins, Cadboro Bay road, or Mrs. Flumerfelt, Pemberton road.

TENDERS.

NOTICE.

Lease of Timber Limits.

EAST KOOTENAY DISTRICT.

Sealed tenders will be received by the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to 4 o'clock p.m., on Thursday, 25th February, 1897, from any person, persons or corporation, for permission to lease the undermentioned lands for the purpose of cutting spars, timber or lumber, subject to the provisions of the "Land Act," and amendments thereto, viz.:

Lots 260, 261 and 262, Group 1, East Kootenay District, containing in the aggregate 2,680 acres

The competitor offering the highest cash bonus will be entitled to a lease of the premises for a term of twenty-one years.

Each tender must be accompanied by a certified bank cheque to cover the cost of survey, $800.00, the first year's rental, $402.00, and the amount of the bonus tendered. The cheques will be at once returned to unsuccessful competors.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 20th January, 1897. ja17

India Relief Fund.

In response to the following telegram from His Excellency, the Governor-General of Canada:

OTTAWA, 23rd January, 1897.

To His Honor: the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, Victoria, B.C.:

After consultation with Dominion Ministry, I have undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion, in aid of the distress in India, and I trust I may have Your Honor's support and co-operation in this national expression of sympathy.

[Signed] ABERDEEN,
Governor-General.

SUBSCRIPTION LISTS

Are opened at the following places: City Hall, the Public Schools, Government Buildings, Supreme Court, COLONIST office, Times office, Province office and Board of Trade Building.

It is to be hoped that the people of this city will respond liberally to the appeal for assistance on behalf of millions of our fellow subjects in India who are now suffering from famine and pestilence. The smallest contributions will be thankfully received, and the total amount realized will, I feel confident, show that Victoria is equally ready with her sister cities in the East to contribute her share to the Canadian fund for the relief of suffering humanity.

CHARLES E. REDFERN,
Mayor.

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NOTICES.

[L.S.] E. DEWDNEY.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. Eberts, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Eighth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable EDGAR DEWDNEY, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 29th day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By command.

JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

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NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.

January 2nd, 1897. ja12

FASHIONABLE SKIRTS.

They Are Shorter For Walking, With Godets at the Back Only.

Skirts are now worn from half an inch to an inch short of the ground by those women who walk a great deal, and this is quite permissible by fashion. House and carriage gowns touch the floor evenly all around, or they may have a slight train. Walking skirts for country wear may be shorter than those intended for the city, escaping the ground by an inch and a half. Ball gowns for women who do not dance are usually made with a train, as are elaborate dinner and reception gowns.

Skirts have preferably no godets in front or at the sides, the fullness being all carried to the back. The top of the skirt is close fitting, molded to the form by darts or by modification of the upper part of the seams if there are many of the latter. No dart is placed in the middle of the front.

Many women will not wear a skirt without a pocket, although a pocket is an unmanageable adjunct in these days of close fits. If it is placed where one can get at it comfortably, it is one of the most obvious things about the gown, while, if it is so situated as to be successfully concealed from observation, it is usually concealed still more successfully from the wearer of the skirt. The preferred place for secluding it is in one of the back seams under the fullness When it is placed in the seam of the tablier, even although the opening may be marked by flat trimming of some sort, the smallest article placed in the pocket, even a handkerchief, is evident as an unsightly lump. As a matter of fact, dress pockets had their day in the time of full skirts, and they are now better replaced by some sort of chatelaine arrangement.

LOUIS QUINZE COAT.

A picture is given of a Louis Quinze coat of broche silk, having pink figures on a havana brown ground. The coat has a short, rippled basque and a vest of white satin fastened by paste buttons. The vest is rather long, with pocket flaps. There are double revers, the lower of broche silk, the upper of white satin. The collar is of dark havana brown satin and the cravat of lace. The close sleeves have draped puffs at the top. JUDIC CHOLLET.

FASHIONABLE FANCIES.

Cherries, Currants and Flowers Tied With Ribbon Adorn Broad Brimmed Hats.

Ruchings are much worn on and under the brim of the hat, especially if it is a large one, and are very becoming to most faces. Hats of drawn chiffon and mousseline de soie are seen and are usually charming in their effect.

Canvas and etamine goods seem to be making a strong bid for popularity, and it is predicted that these materials in the heavy qualities will be extensively worn during the fall and winter. The fondness for mohair continues, and one of the most useful developments of this class of goods is the mohair serge in both wide and narrow ribs. This is glossier and harder twisted than ordinary serge and is eminently suitable for useful and severely correct tailor made gowns.

Sprays of flowers for millinery trimming are now tied with bows of ribbon velvet, a rustic and simple effect very satisfactory on wide brimmed straws. Mercury wings are still much worn in Paris, and there is a violent fancy there for fruit ornamentation, especially cherries, which are occasionally imitated. Red and white currants are also so well simulated that the copies can hardly be distinguished from the natural fruit.

White still largely influences the fashionable toilet, and white costumes of all materials are seen. Light pink or mauve gowns trimmed with white are also seen. White pique, muslin, foulard, gauze and ecru linen prevail and are adorned with lace, embroidery and bows, while the variety of belts, corselets, boleros, bretelles and revers is practically unlimited.

GAUZE WRAP.

Today's illustration shows a light fancy wrap of black silk gauze. It has a stole and yoke of black net embroidered with jet, the stole being fastened at the waist by bows of black satin ribbon and bordered at the ends with plaitings of black silk gauze edged with white lace. The collarette and coquilles are also of lace edge gauze plaitings. The half length sleeves of black gauze are finished at the elbow with gauze plaitings like the collarette, the plaitings being headed by a torsade and bow of black satin ribbon.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

Suspicious.

"Maud," he said as the carriage entered the shadowy lane, "Maud, are you sure you—you never had any man's arm about your waist as mine is?"

"No, George, I never did," she murmured. "I never, never did. Why?"

"Oh, nothing," he replied, "only I wondered whether it was instinct or experience that made you take the reins from my hand just as soon as we reached this secluded spot."—London Tit-Bits.

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FANS AND PARASOLS.

The Former Are Small and Beautifully Painted and Spangled.

The large, graceful fans of a year or two ago are no longer fashionable. Of all the fans put forth the French are perhaps the prettiest. They always offer some new features of workmanship or ornamentation. Pretty conceits are not confined alone to the panels, but blossom out on the sticks as well. It seems that the smaller the fan the more rare and beautiful is the handiwork lavished upon it. A certain airiness and grace distinguish the finest fans, and the colors are soft and unobtrusive. Fan chains of gold, with diamonds or pearls at intervals, are now made. They are rather heavy and add much to the effect of the fan itself.

MOHAIR COSTUME.

The daintiest fans are made of lace stretched over silk muslin on mother of pearl or tortoise shell sticks and painted in the center after the manner of the French school. Glitter seems to be the special feature of many, and spangles are a conspicuous part of the decoration. Brown fans, which resemble a bulrush when closed and are made of brown gauze, painted with fascinating little figures, are special novelties.

Parasols have rather long handles of lacquered wood matching the color of the silk or of natural wood with some sort of metallic addition, like a gold band or a tiny serpent. Sometimes a small spray of flowers or fruit forms the decoration, made in the colors of life. The French are adepts at making this sort of ornamentation, which is usually much more durable than one would anticipate. There are also handles of tortoise shell studded with jewels.

A sketch is given of a costume of white mohair. The lower part of the skirt is encircled by four narrow bias bands of mauve taffeta, and the tablier is framed by two tapering panels of the same material. The close bodice has a bias, stretched back and opens in front over a chemisette of white mousseline de soie. Bias bands of mauve taffeta trim the bodice and edge the high flaring collar. The corselet belt is of mauve taffeta and has two erect coques in front. The close sleeve extends over the band in mediæval style, terminating in a frill of lace, and has a full puff at the top.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

Look at the Cellar.

This is the time of the year to pay particular attention to the cellar. Do not forget that fresh lime absorbs the moisture and will freshen a cellar. It is also said it will prevent malarial troubles. The windows of a cellar should be opened at night and closed in the day time. In that way a cellar will remain dry and healthful for the household.

Milk In Hot Weather.

The young housekeeper knows well enough the difficulty of preserving milk sweet in hot weather and will doubtless be glad of a little hint upon the subject. To prevent it from becoming sour and spoiling the cream scald new milk very gently, without letting it boil, and set it aside in the pan it has been heated in.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connection with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

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Equal to about 70 Townsite Lots, will be offered for sale on Most Reasonable Terms and at prices which are less per acre than the price of a single Townsite Lot.

This Sale will Commence on Thursday, the 14th January, 1897,

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These Blocks are Adapted for Residences, Orchards or Future Subdivision.

OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

A POWERFUL MINING & SMELTING CO. Report their intention of building a **500-Ton Smelter** in the close proximity of this land, and the owners have been applied to for a site for this purpose. Such an industry is warranted from the fact that the Great Volcanic Mine, said to be the largest deposit of copper gold ore now known, purposes to smelt the product of their mine at this point. The Projected Roads make it the most convenient receiving and shipping point, and a leading Bank is said to be about to open an Agency, as the employment of the requiaed labor will circulate a no small sum of money each month.

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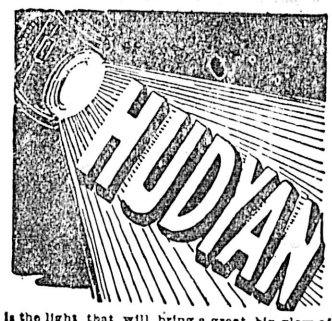

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NOTICES.

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Dominion Parliament at its next sitting for a private bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of Longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia, with power to construct maintain, and operate branch lines and all necessary bridges, ferries, and wharves, and construct, own, and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own, and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds, and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Government of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation, or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges, and also for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, this 19th day of August, 1896.

DRAKE JACKSON & HELMCKEN, Solicitors for Applicants.

Victoria, B. C. au23

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining a railway of standard or narrow guage from a point on the Stickeen river to a point on or near Dease Lake, in the District of Cassiar, with power to extend to the northern and eastern confines of British Columbia, and to construct and operate branch lines, and telegraph and telephone lines, and to construct and maintain wharves, docks, warehouses, and to expropriate lands for the above purposes, together with all other usual, necessary or incidental powers in the premises.

DUMBLETON & INNES, Solicitors and Agents for Applicants.

Victoria, B.C., January, 1897. ja8

The Lanark Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, Limited L'y.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the share and stockholders of the above-named Company will be held at the registered offices of such company, situate at 163 Cordova street, in the city of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, on the 6th day of March, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing resolutions authorizing the above-named company to sell and dispose of the whole or any part or portion of its property and assets.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1897.

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5 a.m..	36·		
9 a.m..	39·	Highest 48·	5 a.m.—12 N.W. 1 p.m.—14 N. 9 p.m.—Calm.
1 p.m.	42·	Lowest 33·	Rain—.00. Sun—1 hr. 38 min.
5 p.m..	40·		
9 p.m..	33.		

Barometer 9 a.m... {Observed .....29.575 {Reduced 29.527

E. BAYNES REED, Observer.

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Per steamer CITY OF KINGSTON from the Sound—J Burridge, Miss Lard, Miss Leslie, W R McKenzie, T A Graham, E A Keithley Miss Hibbard, S H Cook, R Timleson, T Mills, H Hudson, P Warmell, J W James, Mrs Andrews and Mrs Bishop.

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DOCKINGS—At St. Joseph's Hospital, on the 18th inst., Susan, the beloved wife of William Dockings, a native of Devonshire, England, aged 39 years.

Notice of funeral will be given.

PAGDEN—On the 18th inst., at his residence, 120 Fort street, Charles Pagden, a native of Surrey, England, aged 57 years.

The funeral will take place from his residence, Saturday at 2:30 p.m., and Christ Church Cathedral at 2:45 p m.

BOOTH—At the Angel hotel, at 8:30 a.m., on the 19th inst., William Booth, in his 86th year, a native of England.

Funeral will take place from Angel hotel on Sunday, 21st inst., at 2:30 p.m., and from the Reformed Episcopal church at 2:45.

MARSHALL—In Esquimalt district, on the 17th inst., Widiamina Allardyce Gordon, the beloved wife of Wm R. Marshall, a native of Aberdeen Scotland, aged 38 years.

Notice will be given of funeral.

FOR FLOWER MEMORIALS that will last, call at Bradbury's Monumental Works, Cormorant street, one block above the City Hall.

GOLF AT OAK BAY.

Major Jones' Team Defeats That Captained By Col. Peters.

On Thursday afternoon the return match was played on the Oak Bay links between a team from the Barracks captained by Lt.-Col. Peters, and one from the Victoria Golf Club captained by Major A. W. Jones. The weather was perfect and what wind there was sprung up upon the arrival of the Barrack team (who, by the way, won last Saturday) but soon faded away and there was a dead calm after a few holes had been played. Major Jones' team won by 18 holes.

JONES' TEAM.	Holes Up.	PETERS' TEAM.	Holes Up.
Maj. A.W. Jones..	2	Gr. Barraclough..	0
Mr. Oliver	4	Capt. Poole, RMA	0
Mr. Luxton.....	2	Dr. Bell, R.N.....	0
Mr. Van Milligan..	4	Gr. Frain	0
Mr. Carmichael ...	0	Lt.-Col. Peters....	0
Mr. Coombe.....	6	Br. Fletcher	0
Total.....	18	Total.....	0

ARBITRATION TREATY.

U. S. Senate Adjourns Without Arriving at Any Decision.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Senator Sherman was prompt in making good his promise made in executive session yesterday to the friends of the arbitration treaty, to ask the Senate to go into executive session to-day for the purpose of considering the treaty and with hope of concluding its consideration before the day's adjournment. The doors had no sooner been closed on the public at 12:30 o'clock than Senator Nelson began an earnest appeal to the senate for the adoption of his motion to postpone the treaty until March 5. After a long discussion the senate adjourned without debate on the treaty.

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Shopping News

Published Saturday morning for the benefit of The Colonist readers. To business houses desiring notices under this head a uniform rate of two cents a word, each insertion, will be charged.

Argyle House—Dry goods—new goods arrived this week. Duck suitings in light and dark colors, prints, galatea suitings, black figured wool dress goods, flanelette, tinseled crettonnes for draperies, embroideries, veilings, white quilts, colored table cloths, tickings, white calicoes, double width riversable crettones. J. Horner & Co.

Boys' overcoats greatly reduced. B. Williams & Co.

Prospectors will do well by getting their supplies at Shore's Hardware, 57 Johnson street.

Choice flower and garden seeds at Hardress Clarke's.

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Have you visited Reid's clearance sale of clothing and men's furnishings? 122 Government street.

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THE AUSTRALIAN MURDERER

Formerly a Marine in the British Service—A Sailor on H. M. S. "Triumph."

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19.—Butler has been a marine in Her Majesty's service, in addition to his other occupations. He has been identified by two of his former shipmates, John Conway and Thomas sailors on board H. M. S. Triumph. Collins, of this city who were at one time There was a marine on board by the name of Ashe. When the two old sailors saw the picture of Butler they recognized the face. Collins was positive the man was their old shipmate Ashe, and to make sure he and Conway went to see him a few days ago. Conway and Collins in 1886 were on the Triumph when she was on her way out here from England, While in Chili a detachment of men were put on board from the ship Liffey, which was then doing duty as a prison ship for the confinement of minor offenders. Ashe was among these He had been confined on board the Liffey for stealing. At Victoria Conway and Collins, whose terms had expired, left the ship and lost sight of Ashe. At the city prison Conway and Butler recognized each other immediately and they talked for some time. To Conway, it is understood, Butler outlined his proposed defense when he is tried in Australia, and also his reasons for now being known as Weller.

HAMMOND MURDER TRIAL

The Defence Call No Witness, But Let the Case Go to the Jury.

BRACEBRIDGE, Feb. 19.—When the Hammond murder trial was resumed this morning, Mr. Johnson, Q.C., the leading counsel for the defence, surprised his hearers by announcing that the defence would not produce any witnesses, but would go to the jury on the crown case. He the proceeded to make a strong appeal to the jury to acquit the prisoner. He argued strongly in support of the theory that Katie Tough had committed suicide. Much of the evidence of the crown he characterized as rags and tatters of perjury. The jury having failed to agree a new trial will take place.

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AN ARGONAUT AT REST

William Booth, Pioneer of California and B. C., Dies in This City.

Stirring Scenes Crossing the Plains With the Ill-fated Donner Party.

In the death of William Booth at the Angel hotel, in this city yesterday, British Columbia lost its sole member of the little band of indomitable pioneers who, having won imperishable fame as the argonauts of California, followed fortune's beckoning and assisted also in laying the foundation upon which the present prosperity of this province is securely established. Like the majority of his associates in whose hands the great West passed safely through the troubles that beset its infancy, the late Mr. Booth was a man of strong individuality and recognized personal force. Fearing no man, open as the day, rugged and direct in manner, gentle and benevolent to everyone save those who sought to impose upon him, he was to all who knew him sufficiently well to estimate the sterling worth of his character, a representative type of western manhood a type that has daily few and fewer living representatives.

And now that he has passed from the scenes in which he was so conspicuous an actor, the incidents of his eventful life move in panoramic succession before the eyes of those who knew him here in the comparatively "early days," and, more than ever when he was alive and moved among them, these veterans now realize that "Booth was a remarkable man."

It was in Staffordshire, England, that he was born, and that was 86 years ago. His early life was spent in his native land, and when he emigrated to America in 1842, landing from a sailing ship at New Orleans, a young wife accompanied him to aid in the making of their home in the western world. For three years they engaged in farming in Iowa—until the eventful spring of '46 arrived—and, listening to the many voices that seemed to tell of fortunes to be made in the magic unknown land farther on, Mr. Booth and his people decided to cross the continent and take up land in Oregon.

In these closing days of the century this would mean to the majority of people nothing more than a boxing and shipping of household treasures, three days' travelling in a Pullman car, and the unavoidable inconveniences of moving. Things were very different, however, in 1846. No railroad then crossed the continent, bringing its extremest points into close and advantageous relationship—and from East to West the country was not dotted as now with frequent prosperous cities, towns and villages.

Instead, the West bound pilgrim made his way by none too easy stages perhaps as far as Missouri, and then either bade good-bye even to border civilization, or, fearing to face the mysterious land beyond, turned back.

Mr. Booth was not of the later stamp. Indeed, the sight of the rolling prairies verdant, vast and virgin—seemed less suggestive to him of the difficulties with which advance would be beset than of unrestricted opportunities for development—a world with all the charm of novelty waiting but to be won.

There were some forty members of the family party when the overland journey was entered upon, numerous relatives having joined fortunes with Mr. Booth in America, and these, with their entire possessions, their families, and provisions sufficient for the long westward passage, filled ten huge, canvas-hooded wagons drawn by patient oxen—the prairie schooners that, until the railways succeeded them, were as much a distinguishing mark of the moving tide of civilization as were the whitening skeletons along the way.

The intention of the Booth company on starting out from St. Jo was to make direct for Oregon, but when Fort Hall, the first stopping place in the wilderness, was reached, news was had of the fertility of California and its superior advantages. And so, after many consultations among the heads of the families, each of whom acted as captain of his own schooners, the course of the slow moving fleet was altered, and the Golden State became the objective point.

Fort Hall in those days was but a sample of the scrambling collection of log buildings serving as home for a handful of frontier soldiers—the proneness of the redskins to molest the passing emigrant being the reason for their existence, and the treacherous savage not infrequently providing them with drear and dangerous fighting in plenty, with little chance of winning soldierly distinction. Of course the Booth party had heard of the doings of the Indians long before Fort Hall was reached; it was soon after the journey was resumed from this point, however, that a personal acquaintance was obtained. And this was a very serious affair for the whites.

The red skins in small parties had for days harassed them, and many had been the contributions from the slender stock of supplies, given as the price of freedom from molestation. The climax was reached when a war chief with upwards of seven hundred followers disputed at the Platte the further progress of the party through his domain. He and his braves desired too, that they be entertained, and from their slender stores the emigrants, too few to think of fighting, were forced to feed the seven hundred red men. The latter afterwards gave, grudgingly, permission to proceed, and on went the whites still further into the wilderness.

No supply depot was to be found until California was reached, and so an additional impetus was given to the desire for a completion of their journey. It was success and California—or death, and a few more white skeletons upon the trackless plains.

On their westward journey the Booth family several times fell in with the Donner party, whose tragic fate in the Sierras is so conspicuous a chapter in the history of the West. Indeed their courses merged and separated alternately all along the route—first one and then the other going ahead. The Donners were in camp at the little sheet of water, to which they gave their leader's name when Mr. Booth and his people reached that point, having crossed the desert on the Truckee route. Ahead, an almost precipitous bluff apparently forbade further progress, and this had sent the Donner company into camp.

With their haunting shortage of supplies, and no chance of replenishing the stores, the Booths dared not delay, and so necessity spurred their endeavors, and after prospecting the country round about, the problem was solved. The men of the Booth family went to work with picks and shovels and in less than a day a road had been built by which the passage of the precipice was rendered not impracticable.

Then the Donner party and others did a strange thing. They had declined to lend a hand in the building of the road, but seeing it completed they proposed to use it. They were infinitely the stronger party, and there was no law other than that of might possible of enforcement under such conditions. So they confidently announced that they were going over the pass in advance of its builders—and the Booth company, already on short rations, would have to wait.

They had not counted, however, upon the mettle of the little band of English. Quickly they took possession of the road that their own industry had provided, and when the Donners' came on they found the Booth family ready. If the Donners' went over the road first, they said, it would be over their dead bodies.

The issue of battle was not forced; the Booth family went on and the Donners' returned to their camp. When another day came the winners of the way looked back to the hill over which they had come and it was white with just fallen snow. The storm continued for days, holding the Donner family prisoners in their camp until, weeks later, relief was taken them from Suter's Fort (now Sacramento), by one of the Booth's in person.

By this time, out of a company of considerably more than fifty, half a dozen only remained alive, the others, one by one, having succumbed to starvation, died of the cold, or crazed and bereft of human sensibilities lived on by resorting to cannibalism.

The scarcity of their supplies as they proceeded forced the members of the Booth company to short and shorter rations, until the position of affairs became so desperate that the man who died in this city yesterday was selected to go on ahead on foot and alone from the head of Bear river, or rather from Bear river crossing—a forlorn hope whose mission was to find a way to civilization and bring back food to his starving family before it was too late. The task was a terrible one, but the pioneer was able to perform it. He succeeded in finding his way to an outskirt settler's, and there was able to obtain a little bran and some "jerked" beef—this was all that the solitary settler had for himself.

With these treasures the messenger started back alone and on foot over the hitherto untraversed country, rejoining his family and bringing to them the means of life.

At first Mr. Booth and his family took up land in the vicinity of what is now Marysville, the remainder of their party going on to the Santa Clara valley. The fever and ague proved too much for them, however, and after a year's trial of the Marysville neighborhood they removed to Santa Clara too, at about the time that the quicksilver mines in the vicinity commenced to attract attention. As soon as his teams could be got in condition for the work, Mr. Booth took a hand in the hauling in of supplies and the taking out of quicksilver, this providing profitable employment during 1847.

One year later the gold discoveries at Sutter's Mill set the entire community on fire, and leaving his family at Santa Clara Mr. Booth joined in the rush to the placer mines, where for some time he was engaged in mining with considerable success. Illness eventually forced him back to his valley home, and again he returned to his occupation of teaming and cattle ranching, hauling goods from Stocton to the mines at 50 cents a pound for the 40-mile trip—a figure which in those days was considered by many entirely insufficient for the service performed.

In 1851 the adventurous crosser of the plains visited Australia, and having established his family comfortably in Sydney, joined in the rush to Ballarat. Here too he was successful as a miner, his past experience standing him good service. The Australian climate did not, however, agree with his family, and within a year they returned to California by the same steamer that had borne them from the golden state. They at once took up their old home in the Booth valley, and there they lived—Mr. Booth once more going into cattle ranching—until 1861.

Three years previous to this Mr. Booth had paid a brief visit to British Columbia, and, liking the country, he lost no time in disposing of his interests in the Santa Clara country and moving north with his family. They made their home on arrival on the old Esquimalt road, and there the homestead was until 1884, Mrs. Booth dying during the residence of the family in this city. In the year mentioned they removed to the Delta, where eight or nine years before Mr. Booth had purchased a two thousand acre farm, and where he lived ever since.

About four weeks since he found his health rapidly failing, and came to Victoria in order that he might have the advice of his old and tried friend, Hon. Dr. Helmcken. The latter was in constant attendance upon him up to the time of his passing from life—death coming peacefully yesterday. The funeral is arranged to take place on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 from the Angel hotel, and fifteen minutes later from the Reformed Episcopal church. The interment will be at Ross Bay cemetery, where the pioneer's body will rest beside that of his faithful helpmate in life. The only surviving member of the immediate family is a son, five daughters—Mrs. W. H. and Mrs. T. E. Ladner, Mrs. Skinner, Mrs. Granewalt and Miss Booth having preceded their father to the grave.

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TRADE AND COMMERCE.

Commercial Situation During the Week Reviewed—More Hopeful Condition of Things.

The Failures in the United States Run Smaller Than a Year Ago.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade will say to-morrow: "A large increase in the steel and iron business, on account of sales covering eight to twelve months' production of the largest works, a better demand for woolen goods and slightly better in cottons, a gain which may prove lasting in boots and shoes, and slightly better prices for wheat, cotton, wood and iron, and a money market well adapted to encourage liberal purchases against future improvement in business have rendered the past week more hopeful than any other since early in November. The heavy excess of merchandise exports over imports in January, the continuance of exchange rates showing that Europe is still largely indebted to this country on current account and the prospect that congress will adjourn without any disturbing action, all have their influence upon the money market and upon future undertakings.

"In nearly every branch the great iron and steel industry feels the upward impulse supplied by purchases of steel rails said to be half a million tons, each from the Illinois steel company and from the Carnegie company, besides from other companies in part as low as $15 per ton, about 100,000 to foreign purchasers at $17 to $18, but all recent sales have been at $20 at Eastern and $21 at Western mills. Other industries are gaining also, though less conspicuously. The shipments of boots and shoes in February have been about 3,000 cases larger than in any previous year to date, and the increasing orders have enabled some works to start, although very many buyers still hesitate to pay the advance prices demanded. Leather is well supported at the recent advance in prices by large purchases and is a shade stronger, while hides, though irregular and peculiarly sensitive at Chicago, are also a shade stronger in quotations.

"The recent decline and subsequent rise in raw cotton have not materially affected the manufacturers, who are gradually getting rid of their accumulated surplus, though there seems to be but little increase as yet in the demand for goods. Sales of wool have sharply declined, amounting to 7,409,300 pounds for the week, against 9,157,900 for the previous week, but owing to heavy transactions early in the month, the sales for three weeks have been 30,130,900 pounds, of which 18,057,300 pounds were domestic, against 13,168,700 pounds last year, of which 5,997,500 pounds were domestic and 16,996,200 pounds in 1893, of which 10,944,200 pounds were domestic. The larger dealers have acquired full supplies for the present and at any advance in prices they appear ready to drop out of the market. The demand for woollen goods does not seem to have expanded materially and no quotable change in prices has appeared during the week.

"Wheat dropped off to 80¾c. but rose to 83¼c. with no important impulse except the conviction that recent prices have been low enough. The Atlantic exports, flour included, were only 1,235,375 bushels for the week against 1,810,204 last year, but for three weeks they have been 5,090,451 bushels against 5,448,429 last year. The Western receipts are still small for the week, being only 1,504,845 bushels against 2,415,558 last year and for the past three weeks they were only 4,699,240 bushes, 8,328,771 last year. Meanwhile western receipts of corn have been well nigh doubled, and for three weeks the Atlantic exports have been 6,317,214 bushels, against 3,234,879 last year. Evidently this movement is displacing many million bushels of wheat in foreign consumption.

"It is encouraging that the failures are running smaller than a year ago. The failures for the last week have been 303 in the United States, against 280 last year, and 58 in Canada against 66 last year.

The bank clearances for the Dominion were: Montreal $9,572,631, increase 7 per cent.; Toronto $5,554,105, decrease 18.5 per cent.; Halifax $1,067,127, decrease 15.8 per cent.; Winnipeg $816,242, decrease 12.7 per cent.; Hamilton $610,246, decrease 2.4 per cent.; St. John, N.B., $506,599.

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